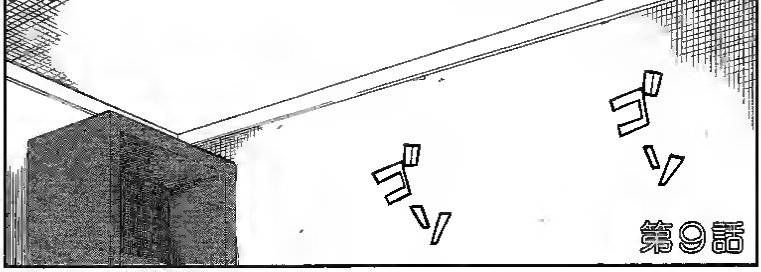
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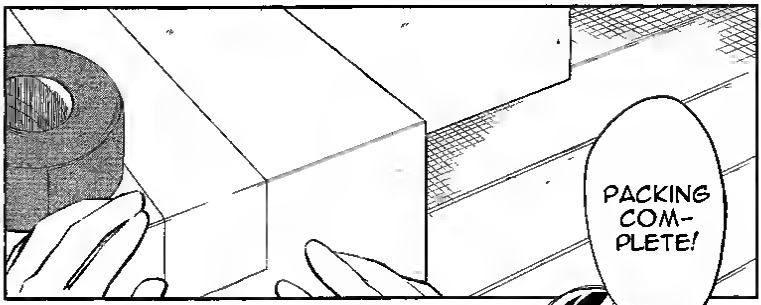
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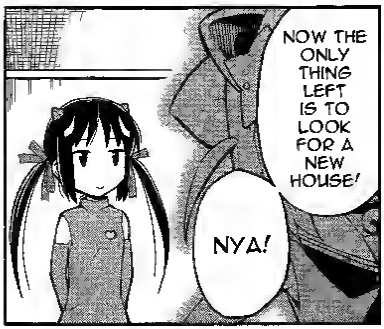

NOW THE ONLY THING LEFT IS TO LOOK FOR A NEW HOUSE!
NYA!

THAT'S BACK-WAAAA-ARDS~
hah...

TAKERU DID EVERY-THING THOUGH

WHOAA-AAAAA-AAAAA-CHAAA-AAAA!!
WOAH, THAT'S DANGER-OUS!?
NOW THEN,
NOW THAT THERE'S ROOM TO BREATHE
AH...
...AAAH!!
I JUST THOUGHT I SHOULD GET SOME TRAINING DONE ALREADY
COUNTERED
WHAT WAS THAT FOR!?
TRAINING?
BUT THE PROBLEM IS, BECAUSE OF ALL THAT, NYA-TAN STILL REMAINS JUST AS WEAK AS BEFORE.
COME TO THINK OF IT, WE'VE BEEN PUTTING IT ON HOLD FOR QUITE A WHILE,
THANKS TO MO-TAN'S SUDDEN ATTACK AND MEI-TAN'S LOVE CONSUL-TATIONS

BUT I DON'T THINK I'D BE FIT AS YOUR MENTOR THIS TIME ROUND...
YOU COULD BE MY DISCIPLE THEN!
WHY WOULD I BE BEGGING YOU TO TEACH ME ANY-THING?
I JUST HAPPEN TO KNOW SOMEONE WHO'D BE A BETTER FIT FOR THIS JOB
THEN JUST CALL HER HERE ALREADY -NYA.
UH, NO, WE WILL BE GOING OUT TO MEET HER OURSELVES
'cause that would be really rude
LET'S SEE, I'M PRETTY SURE IT'S HER SHIFT TODAY, SO..
WELL THEN, LET'S GO!
OH~
I SAID LET'S GO!?
EH, ME TOO?
THIS IS...

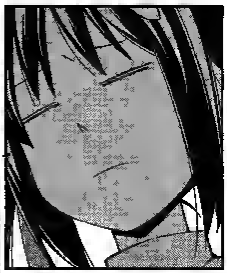
RANDOM TEACH-ERS!?
THE CUSTO-MERS OF THIS CAFE -NYA!?
WHICH MEANS THE PARTNER FOR HER TRAINING IS...

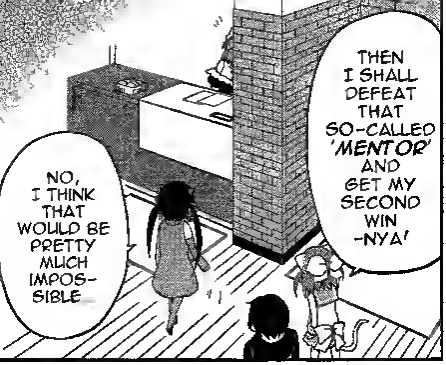
WHY ARE YOU SO SURPRISED, NYA-TAN!?
WE CAME HERE LAST TIME! YOU EVEN WORK HERE PART-TIME!
WHAT -NYA!?
IT'S THE MAID CAFE WE ALL WORK AT DESS DESS.

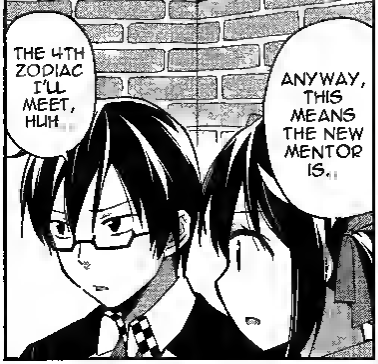
THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!
WHAA AAAA AAAA CHAA AAAA AA-

What would be your orders -nya?
A Cat Punch please.
Coming up, sir.

THEY'RE NOT MY SPECIAL-TIES!!
BUT COURT-ROOM DRAMAS ARE URI-TAN'S SPECIALTIES.
WHAT'S UP WITH THAT VIOLENCE CAFE?
WE MIGHT GET SUED AND SUMMONED TO COURT, YOU KNOW




NO, I THINK THAT WOULD BE PRETTY MUCH IMPOS-SIBLE...
THEN I SHALL DEFEAT THAT SO-CALLED 'MENTOR' AND GET MY SECOND WIN -NYA!

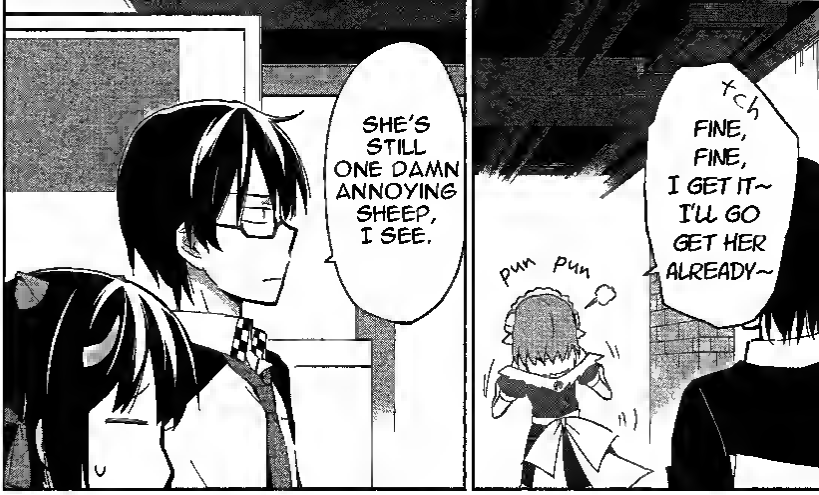

THE 4TH ZODIAC I'LL MEET, HUH...
ANYWAY, THIS MEANS THE NEW MENTOR IS...

EXCUSE ME, IS DORA-TAN HERE?
We need her for a little b-i
Hello
Dora
Dorae
That's a cat

WEL-COME~
wait are it's Takeru sama and his friends
AH, IT'S MEI-TAN.

THIS ISN'T EXACTLY 'FRIENDSHIP' YOU'RE TRYING TO BUILD THERE
Also why s it so cramped n here
I'M PLANNING ON BUILDING OUR THOROUGHLY SLOPPY 'FRIENDSHIP' IN A PRIVATE ROOM JUST FOR US~
STOP WASTING OUR TIME ON YOUR USELESS, IMPOSSIBLE DREAMS -NYA

WHAT HAPPENED TO ALL THAT 'FRIENDS' TALK WE HAD LAST TIME!?
MUHAHA... IF YOU WANT TO KNOW DORA-TAN'S WHERE-ABOUTS, YOU'LL HAVE TO PAY WITH TAKERU-SAMA'S BODY...


SHE'S STILL ONE DAMN ANNOYING SHEEP, I SEE.
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FINE, FINE, I GET IT~ I'LL GO GET HER ALREADY~
pun pun

YES.
THIS IS AMATO TAKERU-SAN DESS DESS
FOR EXAMPLE, THAT BOY OVER THERE
Ah, it's that waitress last time
Hello

PER YOUR REQUEST, HERE I AM
YOU'VE CHANGED A LITTLE SINCE WE'VE LAST MET, URI-TAN AND NYA-TAN
千支

GLASSES!?
IS THAT SO? FANTASTIC GLASSES YOU GOT THERE, BY THE WAY
Megane buddies, are we not?

ETO-SHIN OF DRAGONS, DORA-TAN OF CHEN-NON
ELDEST AMONG ALL ETO-SHIN
SO, WHAT DO YOU NEED ME FOR?
WE WERE HOPING YOU COULD HELP NYA-TAN TRAIN HERSELF DESS DESS
Actually
HO?
OR HURRY UP AND GET THE HELL OUT OF THE ZODIAC SO NYAA CAN REPLACE YOU ALREADY, YOU FAKE ANIMAAAAAAAL!!
HEE EEEE EEEE EEEE EY!?
HAHAHA, SO YOU'D SAY.
BUT EVEN IF I DO GET KICKED OUT OF THE ZODIAC,
EH
WHAT MAKES YOU THINK THE CATS WILL AUTOMATICALLY REPLACE ME?
IT MIGHT BE TANUKIS INSTEAD!!
PAM PAKA !?

NO... DEFINITELY NOT ALPACAS
EH?

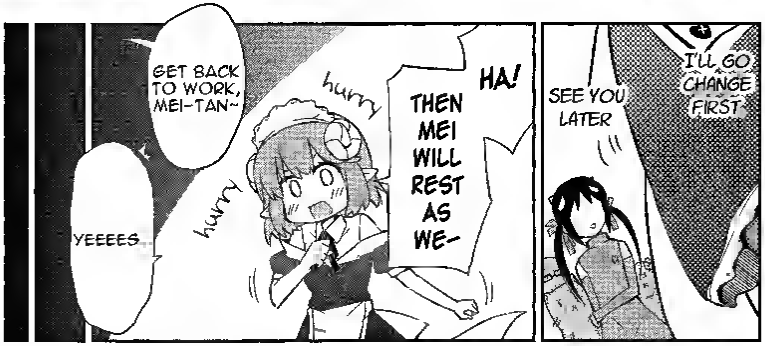
DON'T GET SO COCKY, YOU DAMN CAT!!
THAT'S RIGHT! IT MIGHT EVEN BE ALPACAS NEXT!!
Fuhahaha

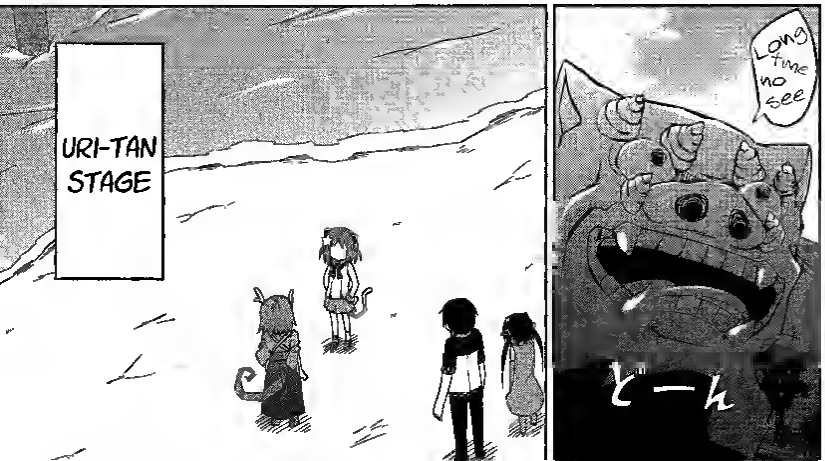
THERE NEVER WILL BE AN ALPACA CHARACTER IN THIS MANGA NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU WANT ONE
TAKERU-SAN... ISN'T IT ABOUT TIME YOU GIVE UP ON YOUR HOPELESS DREAMS?

ANYWAY, I UNDER-STAND YOUR SITUA-TION

I BELIEVE!!
EVEN SO! I BELIEVE ALL DREAMS, NO MATTER HOW IMPROBABLE THEY MAY BE, WILL COME TRUE ONE DAY!!
JUST. FOR. GET. IT.
WOOOAH

WELL THEN, WHY DON'T WE START RIGHT AWAY?
I WAS JUST PLANNING ON LEAVING TO TAKE A REST ANYWAY.
THAT WOULD HELP A LOT.
WE DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH SHE WOULD WORSEN EVEN FURTHER IF WE LEAVE HER LIKE THIS
'CAUSE I HAVE AMNESIA -NYA!
THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THIS.


GET BACK TO WORK, MEI-TAN~
YEEEES...
hurry
hurry
HA! THEN MEI WILL REST AS WE-
SEE YOU LATER
I'LL GO CHANGE FIRST


URI-TAN STAGE
Long time no see
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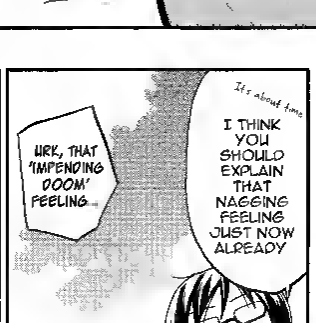
IT'S OKINAWAAAAAAAAAAA!!
IS THERE A RULE THAT SAYS EVERYONE COMING HERE SHOULD YELL THAT!?
THERE ARE STILL PEOPLE WHO SHOUT 'OKINAWA' WHEN THEY COME HERE?
AS A FELLOW ZODIAC, I HUMBLY APOLOGIZE -NYA.
THE HUMAN AND THE 'NOT-A-ZODIAC' OVER THERE! CAN'T YOU GUYS REMEMBER WHAT YOU DID THE LAST TIME!?
How embarrassing
ANYWAY, THERE'S THE IMPORTANT QUESTION OF EXACTLY HOW WE'RE GOING TO TRAIN YOU.
CAT OBSERVATION MODE
MAYBE WE SHOULD BEAT YOU UP UNTIL YOUR MIND RESETS TO A WORKABLE STATE.
WHAT DID YOU SAY!?
ACCORDING TO DORA-TAN,
NYA-TAN IS AN UNFORTUNATE KID, WHOSE EASILY-DISTRACTED MIND MAKES HER FULL POTENTIAL UNABLE TO BE UNLEASHED
THUS, BY CLEARING HER HEAD OF UNNECESSARY STUFF, HER SKILLS WOULD CONSIDERABLY IMPROVE.
...IN OTHER WORDS, 'SPIRITUAL TRAINING'

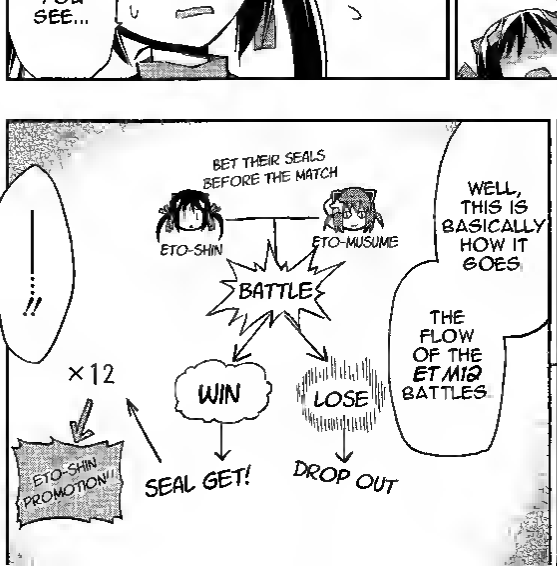
FEELING OF IMPENDING DOOM
Ah...
HMM...?
FEELING OF UNCERTAINTY
WINNING EVERYTHING MIGHT BE IMPOSSIBLE, BUT YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO OBTAIN AT LEAST 2 OR 3 SOL/LULL SEALS WITH THIS TRAINING.
SIT.
paper fan
OKAAAY~ GOT IT~
WELL THEN, LET'S START THE SPIRITUAL TRAINING.
SO SIT IN A MEDITATION POSE.
OKAAY~ GOT IT~
PRETTY MODE
I CLEARLY SAID 'MEDITATION POSE',
WHO THE HELL TOLD YOU TO STRIKE A STYLISH POSE?
GYAH
...

BY THE WAY, URI-TAN
BSSH
Splaaah
YES?

I'VE BEEN THINKING RECENTLY, IT'D BE NICE TO MOVE TO OKINAWA.
BUT THIS STORY IS MAINLY SET IN AKIBA, SO THAT'S A LITTLE

JUST NOW, WHEN SHE SAID 'GETTING THE SOL/LULL SEAL AFTER WINNING A BATTLE', WHAT DID SHE MEAN BY THAT?
THAT'S... WELL, YOU SEE...


It's about time
I THINK YOU SHOULD EXPLAIN THAT NAGGING FEELING JUST NOW ALREADY
URK, THAT 'IMPENDING DOOM' FEELING...


BET THEIR SEALS BEFORE THE MATCH
ETO-SHIN
ETO-MUSUME
BATTLE
WIN
LOSE
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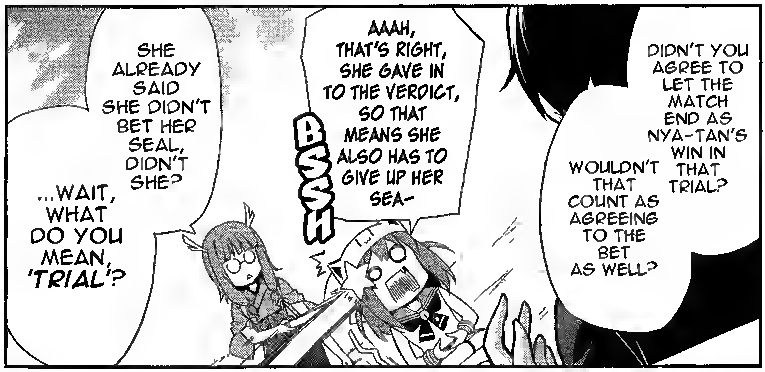
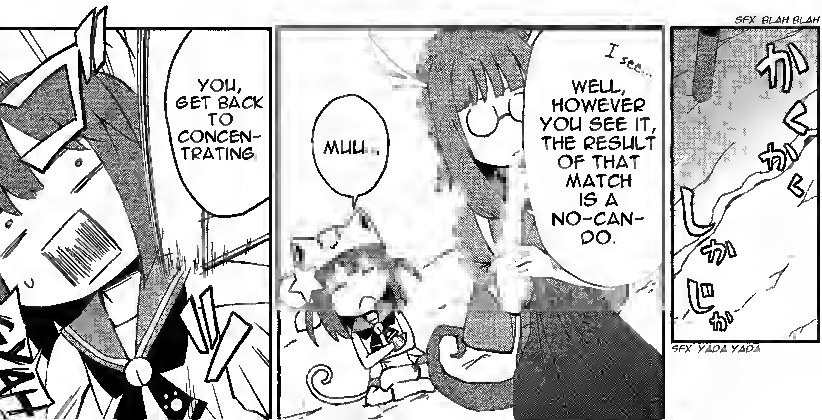
ETO-SHIN PROMOTION!
SEAL GET!
DROP OUT
!!!
WELL, THIS IS BASICALLY HOW IT GOES
THE FLOW OF THE ETMIQ BATTLES
WAIT, SO YOU STILL HAVEN'T BEEN INFORMED ABOUT THAT?

BSSH
OLH
WHAAAT -NYA!?
THAT MEANS URI-TAN HAS CHEATED BY NOT GIVING UP HER SEAL EVEN AFTER LOSING...
...DOESN'T IT!?
SINCE WE NEVER AGREED ON BETTING OUR SEALS BEFORE THE MATCH, I THINK IT DOESN'T COUNT AS CHEATING...
I THINK


DIDN'T YOU AGREE TO LET THE MATCH END AS NYA-TAN'S WIN IN THAT TRIAL?
WOULDN'T THAT COUNT AS AGREEING TO THE BET AS WELL?
AAAH, THAT'S RIGHT, SHE GAVE IN TO THE VERDICT, SO THAT MEANS SHE ALSO HAS TO GIVE UP HER SEA-
BSSH
SHE ALREADY SAID SHE DIDN'T BET HER SEAL, DIDN'T SHE?
...WAIT, WHAT DO YOU MEAN, 'TRIAL'?


SFX: BLAH BLAH
I see...
WELL, HOWEVER YOU SEE IT, THE RESULT OF THAT MATCH IS A NO-CAN-DO.
MUU...
YOU, GET BACK TO CONCEN-TRATING
SFX: YADA YADA

HSSH
HSSH
GYAH
HJRK
HSSH

Complete
Meditation

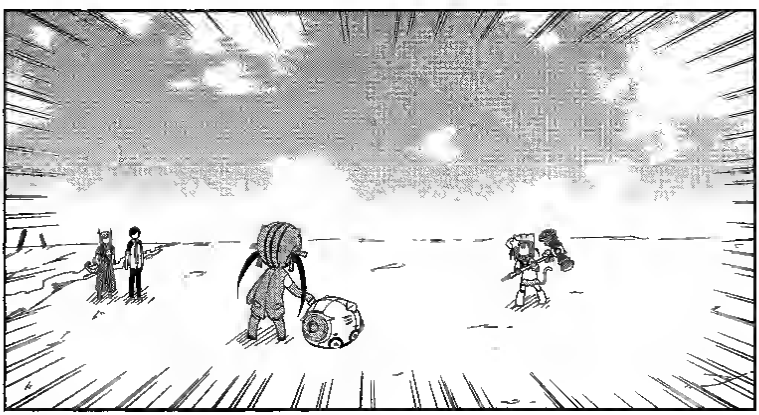
Sh - - -
NOW TRY SUMMONING THE ETO-MUSUME'S WEAPON!
THAT'S RIGHT, 'THE ETO-MUSUME'S WEAPON'.
Try it now.
IT DOESN'T HAVE ANY SPECIAL NAME!?
'CLEAR AS A MIRROR'
THAT'S WHAT YOUR FACE LOOKS LIKE RIGHT NOW
PYOING
IT FEELS LIKE I WAS BORN AGAIN -NYA!
MEDITATION IS SUPER AMAZING!

Alright
ANYWAY, WITH THIS POWER, I SHALL SPREAD THE WONDERS OF MEDITATION TO THE WORLD-
-WAIT NO, I MEAN, MY FIGHT FOR THE ENTRY TO THE ZODIAC HAS BEGUN -NYA!
IT DOESN'T MEAN ANYTHING OF THAT SORT...
This's just a paper fan you know
A HAMMER?
IS SHE PLANNING ON 'PAYING BACK' FOR ALL THE BEATINGS SHE GOT FROM US!?
Is that really okay Sis!?

THEN FIRST...
URI-TAN.

HAVE A MATCH WITH NYAA ONE MORE TIME -NYA!
...
...OKAY.

BUT I WON'T GO EASY ON YOU THIS TIME!



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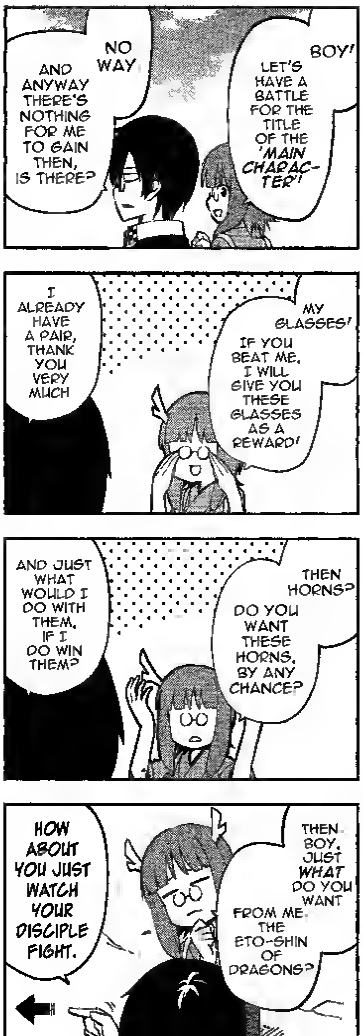
NO WAY
AND ANYWAY THERE'S NOTHING FOR ME TO GAIN THEN, IS THERE?
BOY!
LET'S HAVE A BATTLE FOR THE TITLE OF THE 'MAIN CHARAC-TER'!
I ALREADY HAVE A PAIR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH
MY GLASSES!
IF YOU BEAT ME, I WILL GIVE YOU THESE GLASSES AS A REWARD!
AND JUST WHAT WOULD I DO WITH THEM, IF I DO WIN THEM?
THEN HORNS?
DO YOU WANT THESE HORNS, BY ANY CHANCE?
HOW ABOUT YOU JUST WATCH YOUR DISCIPLE FIGHT.
THEN. BOY, JUST WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM ME, THE ETO-SHIN OF DRAGONS?